THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) No, Sir. The University is not facing any financial crisis.

(b) Does not arise.

Separate authority for Metro Railway in Calcutta

264. SHRI CHITA BASU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a separate Authority for the management and maintenance of the Metro Railway in Calcutta;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether any action has been taken in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) A proposal to set up an autonomous Authority for operation and maintenance of Calcutta Metro Railways is under examination.

(b) (i) Operation of an intra-urban trapnsortation system, like the Calcutta Metro Railway, is different from the normal Railway functions.

(ii) In the interest of efficiency, all modes of city transport should function in an integrated manner, under a single transport authority. Setting up of Calcutta Metro Railway Authority would be a step in that direction.

(c) Legal and financial implications involved in the setting up of the Authority are under examination.

Construction of new railway line between Nangal to Talwara Town in Punjab

265. SHRI ROSHAN LAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the progress regarding construction work of new railway line between Nangal to Talwara Town in Punjab; and

(b) what are the details of funds allotted by Government for the construction of said railway line during the years 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) 9.5 per cent.

(b) Funds finally spent/allotted for this line in 1984-85, 1985-86 & 1986-87 were Rs. 190 lakhs, Rs. 50 lakhs and Rs. 260 lakhs respectively.

दिल्ली परिवहन निगम में लगातार हो रहा घाटा

266. **श्री अजीत सिंह :**

श्री रशीद मसूद :

श्रीमती रेणुका चौधरी :

क्या जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली परिवहन निगम में गत कई वर्षों से घाटे की राशि निरन्तर बढ़ती जा रही है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान घाटे की राशि का वर्ष-वार ब्यौरा क्या है और चालू वर्ष के छः महीनों के दौरान यह राशि अनुमानतः कितनी है; और

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि उन वर्षों के दौरान यात्री किराए में भी बढ़ोत्तरी हुई है, यदि हां, तो कब और उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री राजेश पायलट): (क) और (ख) दिल्ली परिवहन निगम का पिछले तीन वर्षों (1984–85, 1985–86 और